LEPC Quarterly Meeting Minutes Wednesday, September 23, 2020 1:00 PM Zoom Webinar

Present: John Cloonan, Jeff Dalessio, Bruce Fenney, Kristin Jerome, Darrell Keane, Frank Morrisino, Paul Morrissette, Aimee Petrosky, Bill Pruyne, Ryan Quimby, Bob Sheets, Danell Tavella, Kerry Kervick

Chief Paul Morrissette called the meeting to order at 1:03 PM.

Meeting Minutes: Quorum not met

- Updates from disciplines
 - Fire/EMD and EMS: Chief Morrissette stated that they been busy fighting fire in other communities. EMS has quieted down with the COVID piece but still doing a lot of transports.
 - Council on Aging: Carolyn Brennan took a new position as the Hadley Town
 Administrator and introduced Danell Tavella as the appointed interim Director.
 - Public Health: Aimee Petrosky reported that the Health Department is preparing for the next COVID wave and doing their portion of the Governor's regulations. Seeing a significant increase in COVID cases. Holding annual Flu clinic this year in a modified style drive through vaccine at the high school.
 - MRC asking to people to renew interest in volunteers to have accurate list to get everyone sworn in to be compliant with the town bi-laws. Email went out and hoping to maintain a lot of our volunteers. Arbovirus: town did surprisingly well, did not have any in town catches for West Nile or EEE Virus.
 - MEMA: Kristine Jerome conveyed that MEMA is sending out EMPG Grant funding, starting small scale tech trainings/workshops: WebEOC, COOP workshop, would like to do EOC operations & EMD responsibilities by the end of the year. Still filling resource requests for PPE, doing 7 day supply. WebEOC log onto COVID 19 board. A few webinars scheduled for in person briefings for EMPG.
 - EL Skilled Nursing: no issues with PPE. Fire Dept. has been doing a great job with transportation.
 - East Village: Bob Sheets shared that the company that manages East Village, Watermark centralized all their PPE and placing orders through them. Good with supplies.
 - Lenox: John Cloonan stated that Lenox has essential employees and been going right along since the start, they have plenty of supplies, certain protocol coming into the building with temperature checks.
- Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) / EL MRC

Chief Morrissette shared that the LEPC Certification is up for renewal and was able to use previous unused grant funding to hire a consultant to help complete that along with the electronic Comprehensive Emergency Management Plan. Everyone will get a reach out from that consultant.

CERT/MRC: We did get a lot of new volunteers, some helped out with COA. The COA's food production increased. Meals were not offered there but they did drive up service many days a week. Food Pantry was pretty active with a lot of new clients, big food drive this month. Flyers available.

The next scheduled meeting of the LEPC Date and Location: TBD

Chief Morrissette made a motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded. Motion passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 1:19 PM

Local Emergency Planning Committees have four basic functions by law:

- 1. To develop a community emergency plan (CEMP) for the community and keep the plan up-to-date;
- 2. To receive information about accidental releases;
- 3. To collect, manage, and provide public access to information on hazardous chemicals in the community;
- 4. To educate the public about risks from accidental and routine releases of chemicals and work with facilities to minimize the risks.